# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL MEMORANDUM

## HB 1870 - SB 1901

February 28, 2018

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Adds charter schools to the list of entities to which the state must send excess cost reimbursement for children with disabilities. Requires excess cost reimbursement to be sent directly to schools. Adds charter schools to provisions related to special education service associations.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013939): Deletes all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to require local education agencies (LEAs) to send high cost reimbursement incurred directly by a charter school to the charter school.

### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Funds for very high cost children are subject to the availability of federal funds specified in Public Law 108-446, Section 602(8) and 611(e)(3) (IDEA).
- The total amount of funding available for excess cost reimbursement is unchanged by the legislation.
- Based on information from the Department of Education (DOE), no funds are currently appropriated for excess cost reimbursement and have not been for multiple years; further the bill codifies current practice; therefore the fiscal impact of this legislation is not significant on state government.
- Any fiscal impact on local government is estimated to be not significant.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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